

SPRING IS AT HAND

J. R. RACE & CO.

Having received a large and well selected stock of

Boys', Youth's and Children's Suits,

At an UNPRECEDENTEDLY LOW PRICE, are prepared to give extra bargains. We have manufactured a Large Line of MEN'S SUITS, and we sell them at prices that DEFY COMPETITION.

OUR HAT DEPARTMENT IS COMPLETE!

Having just received the Latest Nobby Styles.

Our Neckwear and Gents' Furnishing Goods Department

Embodies all the Latest Novelties. Also

White and Fancy Shirts

IN ENDESS VARIETY.

Our Merchant Tailoring Department!

Continues to be an important factor in our business. We have received a large line of the Latest Styles Suitings, and are prepared to give you a PERFECT FITTING GARMENT at a living price. We are now making

BUSINESS SUITS AT THE LOW PRICE OF \$25.00

CASSIMERE PANTS FOR 5.00

And last, but not least, we would call the attention of engineers, firemen, brakemen, etc., to our NOBBY OVERSUITS, at the low price of \$1.75.

Examine our stock and prices, and be convinced that we mean what we say.

March 21—d&wt

J. R. RACE & CO.

E. S. AUNGST & CO.



UNDERTAKERS

And Dealers in all kinds of

COFFINS,

Metallic Burial Cases and Caskets.

Southwest Corner Old Square

DECATUR, ILL.

Residence, No. 18 West William Street.

June 4—d&wt

H. MUELLER & CO.,

—MACHINERY—



Gas Fixtures!

IRON, LEAD AND BRASS PIPES AND FITTINGS, BRASS VALVES AND COCKS.

PUMPS

RUBBER HOSE, BELTING AND PACKING, ALL KINDS OF MACHINERY, ENGINES, AGRI-CULTURAL IMPLEMENTS, AND ALL KINDS OF MACHINERY REPAIRED. ALSO BLACK-SMITHING, PLUMBING, STEAM AND GAS FITTING—ALL WORK WARRANTED.

Cor. E. Main and State Streets,

Decatur, Illinois.

Oct. 14, 1878—d&wt

FREEMAN BROS.

Will open a complete stock of

BOOTS

AND

SHOES!

MAY 1st, 1879,

In the building lately occupied by

M. GOLDBURG

No. 8

MERCHANT

STREET.

April 24—d&wt

MAY-ITEMS.

Among fashionable damsels the man who ranks well is a rank swell.

When a corner loafer dies in Tennessee the papers say: "Another old landmark gone."

A Rockland woman calls her husband Mucilage, because he's such a stick.

When the flower of the family is out on an evening racket it's a bad case of the night-blooming serious.

Simple pity ain't much better to a person than an insult; but to pity him with a five dollar bill is bizness.

He didn't finish the poem; he couldn't, but he hauled lots of nails out of the stairs with his teeth as he went down head foremost.

A competent authority says you must lie with your feet to the equator. Eli Perkins and G. Alfred Townsend will please take notice of this.

"Grace Greenwood" was standing in a Washington horse car, when a sudden start of the car threw her over into a gentleman's lap, when she said, "I beg your pardon, sir, but you see I am a Lap-lander."

"Oh, Mr. Grubbles!" exclaimed a young mother, "shouldn't you like to have a family of rosy boys about your knee?" "No, ma'am," said the disagreeable old bachelor, "I'd rather have a lot of yellow boys in my pocket."

Josh Billings says "There is one thing about a hen that looks like wisdom; they don't kackke much until after they have laid their egg. Sum pblks are alwaz a bragging and a kackking what they are going to do beforehand."

Alfred Wilkins, of Toledo, has invented a more speedy and economical method of elevating grain in bulk. It is not necessary to invent a more speedy method of elevating grain in a fluid state. Some men can elevate ten drinks before breakfast, and never grow fat the expense.

"It is a standing rule of our church," said one clergyman to another, "for the sexton to wake up any man he may see asleep." "I think," returned the other, "that it would be much better for the sexton when a man goes to sleep under your preaching, to wake you up!"

An English physician says the idea that early rising promotes health and longevity is all foolishness. We discovered this fact some years ago. We got up before daybreak to run to a fire, when we went down the stairs in too much suddenness, and if we didn't knock ten years off our longevity, we at least felt very unhealthy for about two weeks.

An American Girl's Explanation

I heard of a rather amusing reply given, the other evening at a ball, by an American girl in London society, who had strayed away from the ball-room. Her mother subsequently discovered her in a remote nook with a gentleman, who had his arm around her waist, while she rested the tips of her pretty little fingers on his manly shoulders. "Daughter, what's all this?" exclaimed the irate mamma. Saucy cheeks looked up calmly, and replied "Mamma, allow me to introduce Captain to you. I had promised him a dance, but I was so tired that I couldn't keep my word, and I'm just giving him a sitting still waltz instead."—Olive Logan's London Letter.

Buckler's Arnica Salve.

The BEST SALVE in the world for Cuts, Bruises, Ulcers, Salt Rheum, Tetter, Chapped Hands, Chilblains, Corns, and all kinds of Skin Eruptions. This Salve is guaranteed to give perfect satisfaction in every case or money refunded. Price 25 cents per box. For sale by Hubbard & Swearingen, Decatur, Feb. 3—d&wt

NICKEL-PLATED heels, Merkle Patent Seamless Shoes, check, blue and basket top, side lace and button shoes, at Ferriss's Shoe Store Feb. 23—d&wt

The Comfort Patent Corset—Bortree's Adjustable, Foy's Supporter, Moody's Abdominal, Glove Fitting, Hundred Bones, together with the best and cheapest French Corsets in the city, at Jan. 23—d&wt Linn & Scruggs.

Ladies, Take Notice!—We have just received and placed on sale the largest, best and cheapest stock of Ladies' walking shoes ever offered in this market. You are respectfully invited to call and examine quality and price. Feb. 11—d&wt BARBER & BAKER.

MERKLE Seamless Side lace Shoes, for Ladies, at Ferriss's. Perfect fitting, no seams, and consequently no ripping—no elegant style, for \$2.50. Feb. 18—d&wt

Great Bargains in Carpets and Window Shades, at Linn & Scruggs, Jan. 23—d&wt

Try a sack of Shellabarger's "White Loaf"—new patent process flour. Dec. 18—d&wt

Ice (cream, soda water and lemonade at Wood's, 22 Merchant street apr. 30—d&wt

Ferriss' New Stock of Spring Goods suits everybody in style, quality and price April 30—d&wt

For choice New York Buckwheat Flour go to Dec. 18—d&wt

EXAMINE the Parasols at the Cheap Store. -30—d&wt

B. STINE,

THE BOSS CLOTHIER!



Can show you the most Elegant Assortment of

Youth's Clothing!

For Stylish Young Men's Trade, of any House in the City, and

Not Surpassed in Style,

Workmanship, Trimmings,

Or Price, by any House in the United States

If you don't believe it, compare yourself by looking through the stores of our competitors, notice the fit and general style of theirs, and then come around and see ours, and we will leave it to your own judgment.

OUR SPRING STOCK!

IN ALL ITS BRANCHES COMPLETE.

Our Merchant Tailoring Department

A PERFECT SUCCESS.

As the many Suits we are turning out furnish the evidence.

WILSON BROS.' SHIRTS!

MADE TO ORDER AND IN STOCK.

We are not ashamed to mention Our Prices, but wish you to remember that

WE DEFY COMPETITION.

B. STINE,

THE "BOSS CLOTHIER."

March 21—d&wt

Immense Rush!

EVERYBODY ASTONISHED

At the EXTREMELY LOW PRICES at which Goods are selling at the

CHEAP STORE!

18 Merchant Street.

BEHOLD THE ARRAY.

Six Cakes Toilet Soap, Twelve Dozen Shirt Buttons, Corsets, White Shirts, Four-Ply Linen Collars, Table Oil Cloth, per yard, Basting Thread, Double Hoel Socks, Two Dozen Lined shoe Laces, Paper Collars, per box, Two-Button Kid Gloves, Six Handkerchiefs, Green Grain Ribbon, per yard, Ladies' Linen Collars, Napkins, per doz, Crabs, Towels.

As also a full and complete line of Hosiery, Buttons, Embroideries, Laces, Veilings, Silk and Lace Ties, Silk and Cotton Floss, Zephyrs, Ribbons, Baskings, Gloves, Corsets, Ladies' and Gents' Furnishing and Fancy Goods in general, equally low in price. Give us a call

CHEAP STORE,

18 Merchant Street, Decatur, Ill.

April 11—d&wt

J. J. PIERCE, L. BURROWS, WM. M. BOYD.

BANKING HOUSE

—OF—

PEDECORD, BURROWS & CO.

JANUARY 1, 1879.

—WE HAVE—

MONEY TO LOAN

IN VARIOUS SUMS ON THE

Most Favorable Terms,

Secured by Mortgage on Real Estate.

We keep a supply of

GOVERNMENT BONDS!

On hand at all times, which we will sell at the

LOWEST MARKET RATES.

A general Banking Business transacted, but no interest paid on deposits. Jan. 7—d&wt

CHAS. H. BOTTENHORN

[Successor to BARNES BROS.]

—DEALER IN—

Groceries & Provisions

Cor. Wood and Broadway,

Keeps constantly on hand a full line of Fines and Staple Groceries.

LARD, BACON,

VEGETABLES, FLOUR,

GLASS, CHINA and WOODEN WARE,

AND A FULL LINE OF

TOBACCO & CIGARS.

Prices guaranteed to compare favorably with those of any other House in the city—Goods delivered free in all parts of the city. I respectfully solicit your patronage, feeling confident that I can make it to your interest to deal with me.

CHAS. E. BOTTENHORN.

April 3, 1879—d&wt

Cheap Charley

ONE PRICE ONLY.



No! Misrepresentation.

THE "POOR MAN'S FRIEND."

THE ONLY RETAIL CLOTHING HOUSE IN CENTRAL ILLINOIS WHICH MANUFACTURES ITS OWN CLOTHING.

OPENING OF THE SPRING SEASON 1879.

Our Stock is now in Tip-Top Shape, and will be kept so till the End of the Season, by Weekly Fresh Arrivals from our Factory in Chicago.

Our increasing business is not owing to any particular circumstance or good fortune, but to earnest attention and personal supervision of our customers' wants, and the close, sharp prices at which we sell our Goods.

IN ADDITION TO OUR LARGE AND VARIED STOCK OF

GOODS FOR MEN'S WEAR!

WE SHALL ADD STILL GREATER ATTRACTIONS, MORE NUMEROUS BARGAINS and CONTRAST BONA FIDE VALUES, TO SURPASS ANYTHING IN THE MARKET.

Call at Once and See OUR NEW STYLES, and Learn OUR NEW PRICES.

Which are really so low that we are nearly ashamed to mention them.

CHEAP CHARLEY.

KAUFMAN & BACHRACH, Decatur, Ill. Factory in Chicago.

March 11—d&wt

THEODORE A. GEHRMANN

—WILL SELL YOU—

DRY GOODS,

NOTIONS AND MILLINERY,

—AT—

Astonishing Low Prices.

The Store is full of all the Latest Novelties.

Call at once and secure some

RARE BARGAINS,

—ONLY TO BE HAD AT—

THEODORE A. GEHRMANN'S.

April 18—d&wt

FURNITURE!

Having completed moving and arranging our stock, we are now prepared to offer to the citizens of Decatur and Macon county, the

Largest, Finest and Best Selected Stock

—OF—

FURNITURE!

EVER OFFERED IN THIS COUNTY.

Give us a call; we are here to please and sell, and are bonded to do it. Don't forget our trade mark, the ELEPHANT.

April 24—d&wt

ASHBY & ANDRESS.

April 3, 1879—d&wt

CITY DEPARTMENT.

FISHERMAN'S LUCK.

COUNCIL meeting to-night.

Buy the Magnolia Ham. [ap18-dtf]

The mayor of Danville receives \$300 this year.

Buy fresh butter at Niedermeyer's, on the mound.

Ice CREAM packed in ice and delivered in any part of the city, by [ap18-dtf]

Ladies, don't fail to see the new side, [ap18-dtf]

Miss A. MILLER's display of spring and summer hats is just lovely, it is what all the ladies say.

The best assortment of canned goods in the city, at Young Bros'. [ap18-dtf]

Leave orders for Ben Taylor's back at Armstrong's drug store.

Buy your parasols at the Cheap Store. [ap18-dtf]

The latest style of harness mountings, the Oriental, at J. G. Starr & Son's. May 2-dtf.

A large line of Parasols just opened at the Cheap Store. [30-d&w1w]

And still the cry at Armstrong's is, "Give me a Telephone." It is the boss nickel cigar.

Kemper's Queen and all the other favorite brands of cigars, at Martin's. [ap18-dtf]

Ladies in search of house-furnishing goods will find Abel & Locke's establishment a place to go for bargains.

A few day boarders can be accommodated with first-class table board at Martin's. [ap18-dtf]

Our reporter took a ride through the country yesterday, and saw many evidences of activity among the farmers.

J. G. STARR & SON have a full line of cheap buggy harness, of their own make. Their prices are extremely low. [m2dft]

The St. Nicholas bus will take you from the old square to the depot for five cents.

See the novelties in parasols this evening at the New York Store.

May 3-dtf

The exclusive carpet house of Abel & Locke is daily visited by people from near and far, who come to inspect and buy. They get bargains every time.

SAVE MONEY by buying Boots and Shoes of Challis Bros., P. O. Block. May 2-dtf

E. B. PRATT will to-day ship another carload of horses to Connecticut. This lot, which makes about 115 head shipped by him, embraces some very choice animals.

The new, large and commodious ladies' waiting room at the union depot was thrown open to the public this morning. The paint and plaster smells rather fresh, but it will soon dry.

The noblest line of Ladies' Walking Slippers in the city at Challis Bros., P. O. Block. Prices way down. [m2dft]

FISHERMAN'S stock of gents' furnishing goods, white shirts, collars, and new neck wear is complete. His prices are low, he'd have you know.

For a full line of the latest sheet music, music books, instructors, violins, accordions, violins and guitar strings and musical merchandise generally, call on J. S. Hand & Co., in postoffice block. 21-dtf

The suggestion which appeared in these columns Saturday, relative to beautifying the City Park, meets with general approbation, and doubtless the council will act on the proposition to-night.

For the best sugar-cured hams and the choicest dried beef to be found in the city go to J. LINCOLN & SON'S. May 2-dtf

The benches were removed from the park this morning to the room north of "Cheap Charlie's" clothing store, where they will be tastefully repainted.

STEP IN at Colladay's billiard parlor, on East Main street, and try those elegant new tables just placed in position. They are of the latest design, and the very best manufactured. [May 1-dtf]

The twenty-first Illinois State Sunday School Convention will be held in the First M. E. church at Bloomington, on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday of next week. The Decatur schools will be well represented.

When looking around for bargains don't forget that the New York Store is always full of them. Try a pair of our just celebrated 3 Button Kid Gloves for 25 cents a pair. [May 3-dtf]

R. C. CROCKER, the hardware dealer, who is closing out his stock of goods to quit business, is giving our people big bargains. Tinware, hardware, cutlery, mechanics' tools—in fact everything usually kept in a first-class establishment—are going off rapidly at auction prices.

The highest market price will be paid for second-hand furniture, stoves, etc. New goods sold at bottom prices. Old Beyer House. Ed. Houston, agent. [March 3-d&w1w]

At the regular meeting of the Decatur Lodge of Good Templars to-night the newly-elected officers will be installed. It is earnestly desired that there be a full attendance of the membership, as other business of unusual importance will be acted upon.

Who'll come next? Ed. McGee called to-day, just from Kentucky and Tennessee, having "exhausted" from there on account of the poverty of the country. He requests us to inform the people of Decatur that he is endeavoring to live an honest life, and prays them not to lead him into temptation by leaving their cellar doors unlocked, or otherwise recklessly exposing their valuables to the effects of the night air. He trusts that this hint will be sufficient.

A PLEASANT AFFAIR.

Conductor Campbell's Sunday Excursion to Peoria a Grand Success.

Decatur and Peoria joined hands yesterday, and our people are home again well pleased with the day's recreation. It was the occasion of Conductor J. S. Campbell's dollar excursion over the Pekin, Lincoln and Decatur railway. About six coaches were filled at this point, at 8 a. m., by many of our most respectable and order-loving citizens. At Mt. Pulaski, Lincoln and other points along the route three other cars were filled, and the train pulled into Peoria shortly after 11 o'clock with nine full coaches.

The afternoon was passed by the party in sailing on the lake, boat riding, visits to Central Park and the cemetery, and viewing objects of interest generally.

Returning the train arrived here at 9:40 p. m. In all respects this was one of the most enjoyable Sunday excursions that has occurred on any road running out of this city, and nothing whatever happened to mar or detract from the pleasure of the excursionists. It was just like any regular passenger train, and everybody had a good seat. We congratulate Mr. Campbell on the success of his enterprise. He is an old conductor, and his patrons of yesterday praise him highly for his watchful and gentlemanly management.

MULLEN'S "MASH."—Saturday afternoon about four o'clock, an offensive man named Kimball (not the editor) was standing on Prairie street near the soup houses which "ornament" and "perfume" that locality, when Theodore Mullen walked up and struck him between the eyes, and sent the claret spurting. Kimball says, "Mullen then jumped on me and kicked me in the face." At this juncture Deputy Marshal Barnett loomed up before Mullen's vision, and this belligerent individual took to his heels. Barnett gave pursuit, and Riebsamen also took a hand in the chase. Mullen ran down Prairie to Main street, and then through V. H. Park's implement warehouse. Barnett followed, and Riebsamen went down past the tabernacle and collared Mullen as he came tearing out of the alley near the Presbyterian church. Mullen "threw up his hands" and marched off to Peake, where he was fined \$5 and costs for creating a disturbance. On going up the stairway Mullen dropped a pair of knuckles, which were afterwards captured by Barnett. Another warrant was issued charging Mullen with carrying concealed weapons; but the offender had vanished, and up to this time he has not been arrested. Kimball's injuries are quite severe, and his head is tied up in bandages.

TABERNACLE GOSPEL TEMPERANCE.—The attendance at the gospel temperance meeting at the tabernacle on Saturday night was not as large as was desired.

The singing was conducted by George R. Frankland, in the absence of Mr. Bun. Capt. Post introduced the speakers. The first number on the programme was a poetical recitation by little Jennie Odor, entitled, "The Two Glasses." Then followed an extemporaneous address by Lawyer McGaskill, of Taylorville, a brother-in-law of Charles J. Holt. Little Mabel Prescott, seven years of age, gave a well-rendered recitation, which was plainly heard in all parts of the house. Ex-Mayor Frank Priest was called upon to speak, and he responded in a good-natured address of 10 minutes duration. He spoke of Taylorville as he knew it many years ago, and styled it as having been the hardest town in Illinois, Ramsey not excepted. He was glad that the burg had been redeemed, and hoped it would ever remain as it is now—an anti-licensing town. Rev. Emmantrout will be the principal speaker next Saturday night.

THE BANK ROBBERIES SAFE IN JAIL.—Provided with the necessary papers from Gov. Cullom, Marshal F. V. Nicholson, of Mt. Pulaski, and Sheriff R. F. Ayers, of Logan county, arrived in St. Louis on Sunday morning to take charge of the Mt. Pulaski bank robbers, Woods and Oliver, captured in a saloon in that city last Thursday night. The prisoners were heavily ironed, each one having his hands manacled and his feet chained together, the left ankle of one shackled to the right ankle of the other. The officers with their prisoners left St. Louis last night, and doubtless "the birds" are now safely lodged in the county jail at Lincoln.

WILL RE-OPEN IN OCTOBER.—The Lincoln Oil Mill shut down Saturday evening. This flourishing institution will remain closed until October 1st, when it will re-open under the new management, Hatfield, Taylor & Co. These gentlemen are the proprietors of a big grain elevator, which will be disposed of this summer, when they will remove to Decatur with their families.

AT REST.—The funeral of the late Preston J. Murphy took place from his mother's residence on East North street, yesterday afternoon at three o'clock. The sermon was preached by Dr. Goodwin, and was listened to by a large assembly of sympathizing friends. The remains were interred in Greenwood cemetery, and were followed to the grave by a long funeral cortege.

Masonic.—Stated communication of Ionic Lodge No. 312, A. F. & A. M., this evening. J. N. BAKER, W. M.

J. C. HOSFETTER, Sec.

FRANK CHIEF Dodson is a first-class questioner. He doubts if he let them ask those who saw him on his fiery untamed steed, going "twenty times round for a nickel."

THIEVERY.—A \$35 set of buggy harness was stolen from James W. Haworth's stable, on East Elorado street, sometime during last Saturday night. The stable doors were securely locked, but an entrance was probably effected through a window. There is no clue to the burglar.

THE DECATUR POSTOFFICE.

Established in 1829—Daniel McCall the First P. M.—The Office of To-day a Well Ordered and Well Kept Institution.

On the 19th day of January, 1829, over fifty years ago, by an act of the Illinois General Assembly the county of Macon was formed, and on April 10th of the same year the appointed county commissioners, John Fleming, Jesse Rhodes and Easton Whitton met and "proceeded to view the several proposed locations for a seat of justice," and made a report of their deliberations to the county commissioners' court. As a result of the action of the special commission the town of Decatur was laid off, and Daniel McCall was appointed postmaster in the fall of 1829. He also at this time held the offices of probate and county judge and circuit clerk, all by appointment.

McCall was succeeded as postmaster by the following persons: William Cantrill, still living in this city; Dr. J. G. Spears; Dr. Thomas P. Rogers, now in the Illinois legislature, whose home is at Bloomington; Samuel C. Allen, still living, east of Decatur; Alexander Maywood; Preston Butler; William J. May; John P. Post; Phil Shepherd; John Ryan; George B. Peake; Wm. J. Usrey; Isaac C. Pugh; Robert P. Lytle.

What the postoffices of 50, 40, 30 and 20 years ago were, we leave to the failing memories of the "oldest inhabitants."

The Decatur postoffice of to-day, whatever it may have been in the past, is a model of beauty and convenience. It is conveniently situated in the business part of the city, and in all respects an institution such as few cities of a population of 12,000 souls can boast of. Under the present efficient management the several departments have been arranged with an eye single to the accommodation of the public, a fact that is duly appreciated. This spring the office was thoroughly renovated and the walls newly calcimined and repapered, and the glass and boxes were washed, dusted and generally cleaned up.

The office is in charge of the following named officials and clerks: R. P. Lytle, Postmaster; Frank W. Hardy, Deputy Postmaster; Allen Lytle, money order clerk; Geo. Mueller, mailing clerk; Harry Moore, delivery clerk.

The office is in a very prosperous condition, as will be seen by the following statement of its business for the quarter ending March 31st, 1879:

No. of money orders issued	1,500
" " " paid	1,450
" " registered letters issued	150
" " " paid	140
" " " transit	675

" " one-cent stamps sold	137,000
" " other denominations sold	55,000
" " stamped envelopes and wrappers	5,500
" " sold	32,500

There are 2,000 boxes in the office, 1500 of which are call and 500 lock boxes; 1300 of this number are now rented to the public.

Mail matter of every kind is received and despatched with the greatest possible rapidity, and everything connected with the office moves with the regularity and promptness of a well-ordered and well kept public institution such as it is.

Safe, Permanent and Complete are the cures of intermittent diseases performed by CLIFFORD'S FEVER-EXPELLER. Dumb Chills, Fever and Ague, and all bilious disorders are speedily eradicated from the system. Health and vigor are obtained more rapidly and more permanently by the use of this great natural antidote than by any remedy heretofore known. It disinfects, cleanses and eliminates all malaria. As a Tonic, it acts as an Anti-septic and Blood Purifier, bringing renewed energy and vitality to the body worn down by disease.

J. C. RICHARDSON, Prop'r, St. Louis. For sale by all druggists. April 15-d&w1w

To Our Patrons.—Having disposed of our retail department to Messrs. Ashby & Andrews, who will hereafter keep a full line of our manufactures, we take pleasure in commending them to the patronage of our citizens, and bespeak for them a liberal share of the same, feeling sure that they will make it to the interest of all purchasers of furniture to call on them before going elsewhere, either at home or abroad. DECATUR FURNITURE CO. May 2, 1879—d&w1w

Auction.—The oil portrait of Rev. S. MacBurney, by Young & Moon, will be sold at auction at the Priest House, at 8 o'clock this evening. A. CAPRON

"The Old Arm Chair."—Call and see it, at ASHBY & ANDREWS'. May 2-dtf

FRESH FEATHERS for sale at Linn & Scruggs'. [Nov 23-dtf]

Wanted—1,000 bushels of white peach-blow potatoes, at Young Bros'. April 21-dtf

Choice Peachblow and Early Rose Potatoes, at Young Bros'. April 11-dtf

Novelties in fine Scotch Cassimeres, Cheviots and Dress Suits, equal to merchant tailoring, at one half the price, for stylish young men's trade, at B. STINE'S. March 13-dtf

If you want your furniture made as good as new, call on Howard & Ferguson. Feb. 10-dtf

We still have plenty of those standard tomatoes that we have been selling so cheap. April 11-dtf

Stop at Ham & Black's on Prairie street and buy your flour—Mr. OLIVE and SHEL-LABARGER'S. We also sell eggs, butter, corn, oats, garden and field seeds. All implements. Jan 11-dtf

E. B. Pratt, 37 North Church street, has on hand a large stock of wood cut stove length, also plenty of dry four-foot wood, cheap for cash. [mar27-d&w1w]

RELIGIOUS MATTERS.

The New Pastor at the Baptist Church—Texts of Various Ministers on Yesterday.

We were favored with another delightful Sabbath yesterday, and the various places of worship were cool and comfortable.

"FAITH" This was the subject of the introductory sermon delivered by Rev. W. H. Batson, the new pastor at the Baptist church, at the morning service. The text was faithfully and ably analyzed, and the sermon as a whole was deeply interesting and instructive. The church was nearly filled by a large and intelligent congregation. Rev. Batson is a comparatively young man, and speaks extemporaneously. He had another fine audience in the evening. The Baptists are fortunate in securing the services of Rev. Batson, who is certainly a very able minister and a polished gentleman.

DR. GOODWIN'S SERMONS. A- The First M. E. Church yesterday morning, the pastor, Rev. Dr. Goodwin, preached an effective sermon from the text, "Beat ye one another's burdens." It was a plain, homely talk, and did its work. The collection amounted to over \$70. In the evening the congregation was one of the largest ever seen in that church, and the singing was very animated. The subject of the evening discourse was, "It doth not yet appear that we shall be." The class meetings were all largely attended, and there was the usual number out at the Sunday School in the afternoon.

"TRUST IN GOD." Rev. S. S. Hebbard officiated at the Universalist church yesterday. In the morning he based his remarks on the above words; in the evening "The Sacrifice of Isaac" was the subject of his discourse.

STAFF'S CHAPEL. Presiding Elder Rev. Dr. Buck officiated at this church at 10:30 a. m., in place of the regular pastor, who is confined to his residence by illness. There was no service in the evening. The Sabbath School at 2 p. m. was largely attended.

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH. There were two fine congregations out at this church yesterday. The pastor, Rev. W. H. Prestley, at the morning service, took for his text, St. Luke, 12:6-9, Psalms, 47:2.

THE WOMAN ORATOR.—Next Monday night, May 12th, Miss Phoebe Cousins, the lady lawyer and distinguished orator of St. Louis, will lecture at the tabernacle, under the auspices of the W. C. T. U. Her subject is mentioned in the following extract from the Milwaukee Sentinel:

Although the weather was anything but propitious yesterday afternoon, a large number of people congregated at the Academy of Music to hear Miss Phoebe Cousins' new lecture on "Some Mistakes About Eve." If to have an audience remain quiet, attentive and sympathizing during the delivery of a long lecture, is any indication of the ability, tact and success of a speaker, a personal triumph attained to Miss Cousins. She is certainly a competent and worthy to be admitted to the brilliant constellation of genius and talent. * * * Miss Cousins' voice is clear and penetrating, without being harsh, her enunciation distinct and at times somewhat rhythmic in its character, while her lecture is well arranged, logical, and, oftentimes eloquent and persuasive. [Here follows over two columns of a synopsis of the lecture.]

DR. PRICES FLORAL RICHERS. This delightful Cologne water is receiving much attention not only from the ladies and gentlemen of refinement and taste, but from professional men generally. It is so gratefully refreshing to the invalid, its odor is so exquisitely delicate and yet so rich and persistent.

From Auction.—Great lots of Silk Handkerchiefs going at one-half price at the New York Store. [m2dft]

Ladies' Side and Front Lace Sewed Shoes, as low as \$1.00, at the sign of the big boot upside down, P. O. Block. May 2-dtf

If you want to see cheap buggy harness, call on J. G. Starr & Son. Their own make. [may2dft]

Parasols and Sun Umbrellas received to-day by express, on sale this evening at very low prices at the New York Store. May 3-dtf

Something new in fine parasols with an ivory memorandum card attached, to be seen at the New York Store. May 3-dtf

We are now able to supply the demand for a good, solid, serviceable and neat walking shoe for \$1.00. Call and see them, at Barber & Baker's. Feb. 11-d&w1w

What do You Think of This?—A good 3-Button Kid Glove for 25 cents at the New York Store. [may3dft]

Men's and Boys' Shoes, of all kinds, at prices to suit the times, at CHARLES BROS., Postoffice Block. May 2-dtf

Those hand-sewed Button and Congress Shoes, of Hagan & Reddick make, at Challis Bros., are the noblest shoe ever brought into city. Gents, call and see them; we charge nothing to show goods. May 2-dtf

Special Notice.—Calimining, white washing, repairing plastering and cisterns promptly attended to by J. HOFF. Leave orders at J. M. Stookley & Co.'s bookstore. Charges reasonable. March 19-dtf

For Rent.—The three-story building in opera block, recently occupied by R. Ashby. Will rent store and upper stories together or separately, as may be desired, or will rent upper rooms either furnished or unfurnished to families. Apply at ASHBY & ANDREWS' furniture store. May 2-dtf

TO THE LADIES.

W. L. Ferguson, hardware dealer, No. 71 North Water street, has for sale the Ladies' Friend Carpet Sweeper. This sweeper is giving universal satisfaction wherever it is being used. Below are the names of a few persons who have kindly consented to let their names be used in this connection, who say they would not be without it for three times the cost, provided they could not get another: Mrs. J. D. Templeton, Mrs. Wm. Bowers, Mrs. D. S. Sheinbarger, Mrs. A. W. Conklin, Mrs. W. A. Buck, Mrs. J. Adams, Mrs. L. M. Tupper, Mrs. Adam Imboden, Jr. [may1dft]

PERSONAL MENTION.

Freely B. Caldwell, of Chicago, is in the city. He will return to-morrow.

John Ullrich, Esq., got back this morning from a week's visit in the east.

I. J. Davis, secretary of the Y. M. C. A., gave us a call to-day.

Dr. J. H. Brandom, one of the twins, has packed up his household goods and left Cero Gaylor for Danville.

Will O. Taylor, of the National Stock Yards, East St. Louis, was in the city on Saturday.

Assessor Smith is now working from early morn to nine o'clock at night, interviewing all the taxpayers on his "beat."

J. R. Race, Esq., has returned from the east, after an absence of a month in New York buying goods for the wholesale and retail clothing house of J. R. Race & Co.

George Brett and Burt Hardy are to be the clerks at Freeman Bros.' new boot and shoe establishment soon to be opened at 40 Merchant street.

Senae D. McClure, formerly of the department of the Peoria Evening Journal.

A. Capron, the notice elsewhere published, publishes a MacBurney's portrait. He will sell Rev. Priest's Hotel this evening.

Mr. Ernest C. Run, and two children, of Fort Wayne, Ind., and the guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Peck, cord. Mr. Rurde, who is Mr. Peddecord's son-in-law, is one of the leading business men of Indiana, and conducts a large and flourishing wholesale and retail dry goods house.

R. EUGENE PRATT is "the happiest man" to-day. Cause: girl—nine pounds—first-born—pretty as a picture, etc. Eugene will keep whistling "Baby Mine" while he shovels the potatoes into the next carload that he ships to Connecticut.

Keeler's New Hat Store. 20 East Main street, opposite the old stand.

The most complete stock of staple and nobby styles of hats ever brought to this city, and qualities from the cheapest wool to the finest nutria and beaver stock.

OUR GENTS' FURNISHINGS comprise white and colored shirts, linen collars and cuffs, silk and linen handkerchiefs, hosiery and suspenders, silk and alpaca as well as the common umbrellas, fine satchels for ladies or gents, etc.

Prices low. Cloth hats and caps made to order, and all kinds of hats repaired by J. A. Arnold, the Live Hatter. April 9-d&w1w S. T. KEELER.

DIED. At the residence of Dr. A. W. Bance, at Muncie, last Sunday morning, Mrs. ELIZABETH CARMICHAEL, of Decatur.

The deceased was the wife of Mr. John Caffrey, of this city, and her death was the result of injuries received on the Illinois Central railroad some days ago. The funeral will take place from the Catholic Church on Tuesday morning at 10 o'clock. Rev. Father Mackin officiating.

ICE-WOOD. I am now prepared to furnish ice at wholesale or retail, and having enough to last two years, I am prepared to sell at very low figures. Families, hotels, restaurants, etc., supplied at very reasonable rates, and ice shipped to other places on short notice. I will make contracts to furnish ice to families and others, for two years—no matter whether the next winter is an ice season or not.

I will also deliver wood, in small or large quantities, at the lowest rates. Orders left at Keeler's hat store will receive prompt attention. March 31-d&w1w D. A. MAFETT.

See those new spring styles Ladies' Shoes and Slippers, at Ferriss' Shoe Store. Jan. 25-d&w1w

All Grades Harness at J. G. Starr & Son's—their own make. [may2dft]

THE ADVANTAGE of trading at the Popular New York Store

No. 21 Water Street, IS IMMENSE!

Most important offerings will be displayed to-day, and all this week. Every cash buyer, in justice to himself, should examine our stock as soon as possible, and get posted in regard to these new prices. Popular New York Store. Mar. 25-d&w1w

JUDICIAL ELECTION. We are authorized to announce OLIVER L. DAVIS, of Danville, as a candidate for reelection to the office of Judge of the Circuit Court.

We are authorized to announce Hon. D. B. FICKLE, of Caledonia, as a candidate for Judge of the Circuit Court.

We are authorized to announce JOHN M. SCOTT as a candidate for reelection to the third election district to the office of Judge of the Supreme Court of the State of Illinois, at the ensuing June election.

We are authorized to announce BENJAMIN S. EDWARDS, of Springfield, as a candidate for Judge of the Supreme Court.

We are authorized to announce JACOB W. WILKIN, of Clark county, as a candidate for Judge of the Circuit Court.

Erratum: REPRISALS.—Please announce that C. B. SMITH is a candidate for reelection for Circuit Judge for the 4th circuit.

We are authorized to announce A. B. HUNN, of Macon county, as a candidate for Judge of the circuit court for the 4th judicial district.

We are authorized to announce SAMUEL L. REED, of Piatt county, as a candidate for Judge of the Circuit Court, in the 4th judicial district.

DRY GOODS!

Oil Cloths, Window Shades, Mattings

—AND—

CARPETS, For the Million!

2000 PIECES RIBBONS, from 2 to 4 inches wide, from 8¢ to 15¢, a yard, worth three times as much, and is doubtless the last great job in Ribbons that will ever be offered in this market.

1000 PIECES HAMBURG EMBROIDERIES 25¢ per cent. below the price of importers.

100 DOZEN ALL LINEN NAPKINS at 65¢, a dozen; very cheap.

100 DOZ. ALL-LINEN NAPKINS at 90¢, less than jobbers' price.

100 DOZ. ALL LINEN NAPKINS, fast edges, at \$1.20 per dozen; great bargains.

100 DOZ. LADIES' PRINTED HANDKERCHIEFS at 10¢; worth 25¢.

GREAT BARGAINS IN CRASHES, TOWELINGS & TABLE LINENS.

4000 YARDS BEAUTIFUL DRESS GINGHAMS.

20,000 YARDS HANDSOME PRINTS at 5¢.

HOSIERY, GLOVES AND CORSETS

IN GREAT VARIETY AND VERY CHEAP.

3000 YARDS DEER ISLAND JEANS at 30¢, worth 50¢.

LADIES' SUITS, DOLMAN'S CLOAKS and SHAWLS, in all the novelties, and very cheap.

DRESS TRIMMINGS, BUTTONS, LACES, VEILINGS and BRUCHINGS, below the market price.

BLACK and COLORED DRESS and TRIMMING SILKS retailed at wholesale prices.

PARASOLS and SUN UMBRELLAS in every style and price.

Dress Goods,

In Exquisite Styles, and at Low

2000 YARDS HEAVY COTTONS, not were ever known.

FINE and HEAVY BROWN MUSLIN at 18¢, worth 25¢.

SHIRTINGS, CHEVIOTS, TICKINGS, 6¢.

WARPS, GINGHAMS, DENIMS and IN BAGS, CARPET CLOTHS, at the very lowest prices.

If you wish to save money, never buy your Dry Goods until you examine Goods and prices at the Popular House and Carpets.

Linn & Scruggs

against which no house that has ever come to Decatur has been able to compete. [ap2-d&w1w]

SPRING OF 1879.

I. W. EHRMAN,

THE OLDEST CLOTHIER IN DECATUR.

HAS NOW IN STOCK A SUPERB INVOICE OF

